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Draft report

Addendum

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Chapter I

INTRODUCTION

1. The General Assembly, in its resolution 49/128 of 19 December 1994, decided that the Population Commission should be renamed the Commission on Population and Development and that it should meet on an annual basis. The Economic and Social Council, having taken note of General Assembly resolution 49/128, endorsed the decisions in paragraphs 24 and 25 therein in its decision 1995/209 of 10 February 1995. The Commission on Population and Development held its twenty-eighth session at United Nations Headquarters from 21 February to 2 March 1995.

Chapter II

MATTERS CALLING FOR ACTION BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL OR BROUGHT TO ITS ATTENTION

(To be completed)

Chapter III

REVIEW OF POPULATION TRENDS, POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES

A. General debate on national experience in population matters

2. The Commission on Population and Development held a general discussion of item 3 (a) of its agenda, entitled "General debate on national experience in population matters", at its 1st meeting, on 21 February 1995.

3. At the 1st meeting, statements were made by the representatives of China, India, the Russian Federation and Pakistan.

B. Monitoring of world population trends and policies

4. The Commission on Population and Development held a general discussion of item 3 (b) of its agenda, entitled "Monitoring of world population trends and policies", at its 1st meeting, on 21 February. It had before it the concise report of the Secretary-General on the monitoring of world population trends and policies (A/CN.9/1995/2).

5. At the 1st meeting, the Assistant Director of the Population Division made an introductory statement.

6. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Germany, France, the United States of America, Jamaica and China.

C. Monitoring of multilateral population assistance

7. The Commission on Population and Development held a general discussion of item 3 (c) of its agenda, entitled "Monitoring of multilateral population assistance", at its 2nd meeting, on 21 February. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the monitoring of multilateral population assistance (E/CN.9/1995/3).

8. At the 2nd meeting, the Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund made an introductory statement.

9. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, India, China, Germany and the United States of America and by the observer for the Holy See.

D. Activities of the United Nations Population Fund

10. The Commission on Population and Development held a general discussion of item 3 (d) of its agenda, entitled "Activities of the United Nations Population Fund", at its 2nd and 3rd meetings, on 21 and 22 February 1995. It had before

it the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund on the activities of the Fund (E/CN.9/1995/4).

11. At the 2nd meeting, on 21 February, the Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund made an introductory statement.

12. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America, India, Jamaica, Poland and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

13. At the 3rd meeting, on 22 February, statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Mexico and Colombia and by the observer for Norway.

Chapter IV

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT: FOLLOW-UP ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE UNITED NATIONS

14. The Commission on Population and Development held a general discussion of item 4 of its agenda, entitled "International Conference on Population and Development: follow-up action to be taken by the United Nations", at its 3rd, 4th, 8th and 9th meetings, on 22 and 28 February 1995. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the implications of the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development for the work programme on population (E/CN.9/1995/5);

(b) Report of the International Conference on Population and Development (Cairo, 5-13 September 1994) (A/CONF.171/13 and Add.1).

15. At the 3rd meeting, on 22 February, the Director of the Population Division made an introductory statement.

16. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the States Members of the Commission on Population and Development that are members of the European Union), China, Japan, Canada, the Netherlands, the United States of America, Bangladesh, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and Pakistan and by the observer for Norway. Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Labour Organization and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

17. At the 4th meeting, on 22 February, statements were made by the representatives of India, France (on behalf of the States Members of the Commission on Population and Development that are members of the European Union), Germany, Belgium and Mexico. The representative of the International Organization for Migration made a statement. The representative of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Council, Category II, also made a statement.

18. At the 8th meeting, on 28 February, with the permission of the Commission, statements were made by the Co-Chairmen of the NGO Planning Committee for the International Conference on Population and Development.

19. At the 9th meeting, on 29 February, the representative of the Population Communications International, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, Roster, made a statement.

Chapter V

PROGRAMME QUESTIONS

20. The Commission on Population and Development held a general discussion of item 5 of its agenda, entitled "Programme questions", at its 8th and 9th meetings, on 28 February 1995. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Progress of work in the field of population, 1994: Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis" (E/CN.9/1995/6);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General on the programme of work in population for the biennium 1996-1997 (E/CN.9/1995/7);

(c) Note by the Secretary-General entitled "Proposed programme of work for the biennium 1996-1997: population (Department for Economic and Social, Information and Policy Analysis) (E/CN.9/1995/CRP.1).

21. At the 8th meeting, on 28 February, the Director of the Population Division made an introductory statement. Statements were also made by the Chief of the Fertility and Family Planning Section, the Chief of the Mortality and Migration Section and the Chief of the Estimates and Projections Section.

22. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America, China, the Russian Federation, Pakistan, Germany, Japan, Bangladesh, India, France, Canada, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the Netherlands and by the observers for Austria and Norway.

23. At the 9th meeting, on 28 February, statements were made by the Chief of the Population Policy Section, the Assistant Director-in-Charge of the Population Division, the Assistant Director of the Population Division, the Director of the Population Division, and the Chief of the Demographic and Social Statistics Branch of the Statistical Division.

24. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Canada, Germany, France, the United States of America, Japan, Pakistan and India and by the observer for Norway. Statements were also made by the representatives of the Economic Commission for Africa, the Economic Commission for Europe, the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.

Chapter VI

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION

25. The Commission considered item 6 of its agenda in the context of agenda item 4, on the follow-up action to be taken by the United Nations to the International Conference on Population and Development. For the proposal on the draft provisional agenda for the next session of the Commission, see annex, section IV.

Chapter VII

VII. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON ITS TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION

(To be completed)

Chapter VIII

ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

A. Opening and duration of the session

26. The Commission on Population and Development held its twenty-eighth session at United Nations Headquarters from 21 February to 2 March 1995. The Commission held ___ meetings (1st to ___).

27. The session was opened by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis.

28. Introductory statements were made by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis, the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund, and the Director of the Population Division.

B. Attendance

29. The session was attended by __ States members of the Commission. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations and for one non-member State also attended. Representatives of specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations also attended. A list of participants is given in annex __ to the present report (annex to be included).

C. Election of officers

30. At its 1st, 6th and 7th meetings, on 21 and 27 February 1995, the Commission elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chairman: Ruth Archibald (Canada)

Vice-Chairmen: José Gomez de Leon (Mexico)
Jerzy Z. Holzer (Poland)
Abderrazak Azaïez (Tunisia)

Vice-Chairman-cum-Rapporteur: V. K. Shunglu (India)

D. Agenda

31. At its 1st meeting, on 21 February, the Commission adopted the provisional agenda contained in document E/CN.9/1995/1, as orally revised. The agenda was as follows:

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

3. Review of population trends, policies and programmes:

   (a) General debate on national experience in population matters;

   (b) Monitoring of world population trends and policies;

   (c) Monitoring of multilateral population assistance;

   (d) Activities of the United Nations Population Fund.

4. International Conference on Population and Development: follow-up action to be taken by the United Nations:

   (a) Consideration of the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development;

   (b) Implications of the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development for the work programme on population.

5. Programme questions:

   (a) Programme performance and implementation;

   (b) Proposed programme of work for the biennium 1996-1997.

6. Provisional agenda for the twenty-ninth session of the Commission.

7. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its twenty-eighth session.

E. Documentation

32. The documents before the Commission are listed in annex __ to the present report (annex to be included).

F. Consultation with non-governmental organizations

33. In accordance with rule 76, representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council made a statement in connection with agenda item 4.

Category II: International Union for the Scientific Study of Population

Roster: Population Communications International.